



Atty. Docket No. 033082R337

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Manabu AMIKURA

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Examiner: Nathan K. Ford

For: PROCESSING APPARATUS

**RESPONSE AS "SUBMISSION" UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114
WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of April 3, 2008 and Advisory Action of July 31, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Petition for a 3 Month Extension of Time and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) including the requisite fees are submitted herewith.

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